

**Nitto World Co., Limited**

Financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000  
together with directors' and auditors' reports

Registered number: 2124389



## **Directors' report**

For the year ended 31 December 2000

The directors present their report on the affairs of the company together with the financial statements and auditors' report for the year ended 31 December 2000.

### **Principal activity and business review**

On 23 December 1997 the entire share capital of the company was purchased by SLC Turnberry Limited. On 30 December 1997 the trade and assets of the company were transferred into SLC Turnberry Limited. The company has not traded since that date.

The company recorded an operating profit in the year of £Nil (31 December 1999 - £Nil).

### **Results and dividends**

The company did not trade during the year. Consequently no profit and loss account is presented.

### **Directors and their interests**

The directors of the company during the year were:

T.W. Darnall

R. Cotter

M.P. Wale

No director had a beneficial interest in the shares of the company at any time during the year.

## Directors' report (continued)

### Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its profit or loss for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

### Auditors

A resolution will be submitted at the annual general meeting to reappoint Arthur Andersen, Chartered Accountants, as auditors for the ensuing year.

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By order of the Board



M. P. Wale  
Director

22 October 2001

**To the Shareholders of Nitto World Co., Limited:**

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 7 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 5.

**Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

As described on page 2, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established in the United Kingdom by statute, the Auditing Practices Board and by our profession's ethical guidance.

**Basis of opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the circumstances of the company, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

**Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at 31 December 2000 and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

*Arthur Andersen.*

Arthur Andersen  
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors  
191 West George Street  
Glasgow  
G2 2LB

22 October 2001

Balance sheet  
31 December 2000

	Notes	2000 £	1999 £
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year	3	<u>4,101,473</u>	<u>4,101,473</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>4,101,473</u>	<u>4,101,473</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Equity share capital	4	8,900,000	8,900,000
Share premium account	5	9,757,890	9,757,890
Profit and loss account	5	<u>(14,556,417)</u>	<u>(14,556,417)</u>
<b>Total capital employed</b>		<u>4,101,473</u>	<u>4,101,473</u>

Signed on behalf of the Board



M. P. Wale  
Director

22 October 2001

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this balance sheet.

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**1 Statement of accounting policies**

A summary of the principal accounting policies, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year, is set out below.

*a) Basis of accounting*

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

**2 Staff costs and numbers**

The directors were the only employees of the company during the year and the preceding year. In both years the directors remuneration was borne by a fellow group undertaking.

**3 Debtors**

The following are included in debtors:

	2000 £	1999 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Amounts due from other group undertakings	<u>4,101,473</u>	<u>4,101,473</u>

**4 Equity share capital**

	2000 £	1999 £
<i>Authorised</i>		
96,800 ordinary shares of £100 each	<u>9,680,000</u>	<u>9,680,000</u>
<i>Allotted, called-up and fully-paid</i>		
89,000 ordinary shares of £100 each	<u>8,900,000</u>	<u>8,900,000</u>

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**5 Reserves**

Of total reserves shown in the balance sheet, the following amounts are regarded as distributable or otherwise:

	2000	1999
	£	£
Non-distributable		
- profit and loss account	(14,556,417)	(14,556,417)
- share premium account	9,757,890	9,757,890
	<u>(4,798,527)</u>	<u>(4,798,527)</u>

The movement in the profit and loss account was as follows:

	2000	1999
	£	£
At beginning and end of year	<u>(14,556,417)</u>	<u>(14,556,417)</u>

*Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds*

	2000	1999
	£	£
Profit for financial year	-	-
Net addition to shareholders' funds	-	-
Opening shareholders' funds	4,101,473	4,101,473
Closing shareholders' funds	<u>4,101,473</u>	<u>4,101,473</u>

**6 Guarantees and other financial commitments**

*Capital commitments*

At the end of the year there were no capital commitments (1999 - £Nil)

## Notes to financial statements

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### **7 Ultimate parent company**

The immediate parent company is SLC Turnberry Limited, a company incorporated in Scotland.

The smallest and largest group in which the results of Nitto World Co Limited are consolidated is Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide Inc. Copies of the financial statements of this group are available to the public at:

Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide Inc  
Investor Relations  
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White Plains  
NY  
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